CSWC Operational Period Summary 0600 February 27 2015 to 1800 February 27 2015



The iconic Golden Gate Bridge. Sunrise from Hawk Hill in Marin County.

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Note: Report changes/updates are in blue



SITUATION SUMMARY

Governor Brown Directs Assistance for Mono County Wildfire

SACRAMENTO – Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. issued an emergency proclamation yesterday for Mono County due to the effects of the severe fire that started on February 6, 2015 burning thousands of acres, destroying over 40 structures, including residences, necessitating the evacuation of residents, the opening of emergency shelters; creating a substantial amount of hazardous debris over a large area, and affecting the community of Swall Meadows.

The full text of the emergency proclamation is provided by clicking on link HERE

House defeats bill to fund Homeland Security

The House rejected a three-week stop-gap bill to keep the Department of Homeland Security fully operating Friday, a major defeat for Speaker John A. Boehner as a midnight deadline loomed to avoid a shutdown of the massive agency. In a chaotic scene on the House floor, 51 Republicans rebuffed a major last-minute effort by their leadership to salvage the measure. House leaders kept the roll call vote open for almost an hour, long after the official voting time had expired, as they sought to persuade members to change their votes. The bill's defeat, 203 to 224, tested the ability of the new Republican-led Congress to avoid a government crisis.

Weather of Concern

A cold low pressure system moving into California tonight through Monday could bring snow to elevations as low as 3500 feet which
could affect travel through the mountains and passes of Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Riverside and San
Bernardino Counties.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

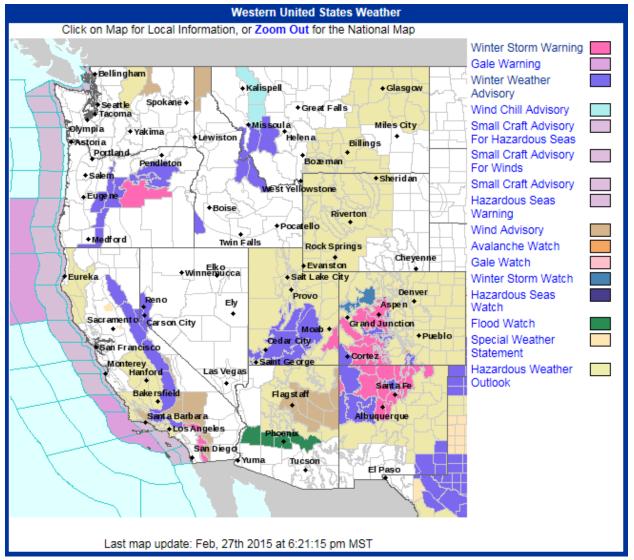
A low pressure trough will drop out of the Pacific Northwest into the northern California today. Clouds will continue to increase and scattered showers can be expected, mainly in the mountains, with the snow level initially near 5000 feet. The snow level will drop to 3500 feet in northern areas by late today and in southern areas on Saturday. By the time this system exits the region early Sunday some spots in the northern and eastern mountains may see as much as 1 inch of water equivalent precipitation while valleys and lower elevations only get a trace to 0.20 inches. Some clearing is expected Sunday as high pressure briefly moves in and produces a dry north-northeast surface wind pattern. The flow aloft will remain northerly and a second southward-moving front will reach the northern California Monday and spread light precipitation across the same areas with similar snow levels. High pressure will return during the middle and latter part of next week and a gradual warming and drying trend will take place.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

A low pressure from Idaho and eastern Washington will drop southward into central California this weekend, bringing cooler temperatures and widespread shower activity. Today, cooler onshore flow will develop and it will turn windy ahead of the system in the deserts. West winds of 20-30 mph with gusts to 55 mph will be possible today through Saturday morning across the eastern Antelope Valley into the Central Mojave as well as the Sierra Crest into the western Owens Valley. Temperatures will be 5-10 degrees cooler today over most regions and by Saturday and Sunday, highs will struggle to reach the 50s and lower 60s in the valleys. Mountain temperatures will remain in the 30s this weekend. There will be a good chance of light upslope showers this afternoon across the Sierra front with showers increasing over central California Saturday. Isolated thunderstorms will also be possible across central California both Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Snow levels will drop to 4,000 feet this weekend and 6-12 inches can be expected over most of the mountains. The best chance of rain over southern California will be Saturday night into Sunday as the system drops a bit further south. In all, a quarter to a half inch of rain will be possible with over an inch likely near the higher terrain. Higher amounts may occur across San Diego and Imperial Counties. Rainfall totals will be highly variable due to the showery nature of the precipitation. Monday and Tuesday, expect sunny weather to return with a slow warming trend. Light offshore flow may occur next Wednesday and Thursday, leading temperatures to warm to above normal readings.



STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

- Recovery Individual Assistance continues to work with Mono County on the Initial Damage Estimate.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue to offer their support services.

Mission Tasking

2015-SREOC-8732 – Two small communities in southern Mono County, Paradise and Swall Meadows, experienced a serious wildfire beginning Friday February 6th. Approximately 40 residences were destroyed in the Round Fire. Residents have been allowed back into the area and need technical assistance in safely disposing of potentially toxic materials on their properties. DTSC has accepted this mission. DTSC reports that 39 properties were cleared of household hazardous waste, and the crew demobilized earlier today and have returned to their Sacramento location. Mission CLOSED



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Costal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning 02/09/15.



CAL OES MISSIONS

Cal OES Missions - Ongoing

• 2015-LAW8792, 02/24/2015, 2200 hrs., San Diego County Sheriff's Department (SDSD) is requesting resources to assist in locating and overdue hiker who has not been heard from since 2/12/2014. M/P is described as a 28 year old male who was reported missing to SDSD on 2/24/2014. SDSD is requesting 30 ground searchers and a airborne repeater to assist with communications. California Civil Air Patrol is responding with ground searchers and the requested communications equipment and aircraft. Update: 02/25/2014, 1600 hrs., SDSD requesting additional resources. They are requesting 20 ground searchers and 4 search dog teams (2 cadaver search dog teams, 2 area search dog teams). California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, Law Enforcement Branch is coordinating the search dog team response. San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Departments are responding with the requested ground searchers. Update: 02/26/2014, 0800 hrs. SDSD is requesting that the MIGU out of Region VI be assigned to this search. San Bernardino is responding with the MIGU. Update: San Diego County Sheriff is requesting MIGU and technician for ongoing search of a missing hiker. Search area has bad communications. AC Hudson was immediately on scene to evaluate and assist exact needs. MIGU not needed, Verizon COLT/RAT ordered. AC Hudson has been demobilized, but is assisting with any further requests and tracking Verizon COLT/RAT. At this time, all communications are operational. Mission On-going.





Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.

